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Attention: Bongji Mhlanga  
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Dear Bongji

**Amended Final Scoping Report for the Proposed Weskusfleur Substation in the vicinity of Koeberg Power Station, Western Cape**  
(DEA ref. no.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/508)

CapeNature would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed development and would like to make the following comments. Please note that our comments only pertain to the biodiversity related impacts and not to the overall desirability of the proposed development.

CapeNature commented on the Draft and Final Scoping Report for the proposed project. In our comments we raised the issue of compliance with conditions of approval for a previous application which are binding on the subject property. The condition of approval was from the Appeal Decision for the Administrative Centre and Training Campus for the Koeberg Nuclear Power Station dated 23/11/2010 (ref. no. 12/12/20/997):

“1.46 Further before any development on Cape Farm 34 is submitted for environmental authorisation, the applicant must submit its management plan for its private nature reserve to CapeNature for approval and must enter into a stewardship agreement with CapeNature.”

Subsequent to our comments, negotiations were held with CapeNature in order to ensure that these conditions are complied with before the process could continue for the subject application. This included negotiations regarding the stewardship agreement and updating the management plan for the property to the prescribed format for protected area management plans (PAMPs) in terms of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (NEM:PAA – Act 57 of 2003).

Cover letters for the signed stewardship agreement and the updated management plan respectively have been included as appendices of the Amended Final Scoping Report. CapeNature can confirm receipt of the above-mentioned documents and therefore can confirm that the provisions of condition 1.46 of the appeal decision for the Koeberg Training Centre have been complied with. While the condition states that the management plan must be submitted and therefore the condition has been fulfilled, it is recommended that the approval letter for the management plan is included as an appendix in the EIA Phase.

CapeNature’s comments on the Draft and Final Scoping Reports remain relevant in terms of the proposed project and for further consideration in the EIA Phase of the project.

CapeNature reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on any additional information that may be received.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rhett Smart", with a horizontal line underneath.

**Rhett Smart**

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